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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Nielsen et al.

Serial No.: 08/817,067

Group Art Unit: 1631

Filing Date: April 4, 1997

Examiner: A. Marschel

For: Peptide Nucleic Acid Conjugates

Office Of Petitions
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

**PETITION UNDER (37 CFR 1.313(c)(2))
WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE - ISSUE FEE PAID**

Applicant(s) petitions that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue. The Issue Fee was paid on July 19, 2000.

Reason for withdrawal from issue:

The reason applicant seeks withdrawal from issue of this application is:

For consideration of a submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.114 (Request for Continued Examination) so an Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449 may be considered. The Examiner in this application also has submitted a request that the present application be withdrawn from issue to consider the reference listed in the Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants respectfully bring to the Office's attention their belief that the present application has been scheduled to issue within the next three weeks. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request expedited consideration of this request.

The above mentioned Request for Continued Examination, Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449 and the reference cited therein are enclosed herewith.

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PETITION FEES

The petition fee (37 CFR 1.17 (i)) is paid as follows:

- ☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130.00.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 23-3050 the amount of \$130.00. A duplicate of this petition is attached.
- ☒ Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23-3050.

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